

REMARKS

Applicant has cancelled claims 2 and 4-6 to formally close examination thereof.

The Examiner indicated, in the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action, that the application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters.

Applicant has herein submitted claims 1 and 3 with amendments based on formal matters aimed at clarifying the presentation of the claims to comply with the Examiner's statements in the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant affirms that the claims as formally clarified are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Based on the preceding arguments, Applicant respectfully believes that all pending claims and the entire application meet the acceptance criteria for allowance and therefore requests favorable action. If the Examiner believes that anything further would be helpful to place the application in better condition for allowance, Applicant invites the Examiner to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account 19-0513.

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